

1. What was / has been your occupation before entering politics?

I have been a software engineer at various local companies, large and small, for 30 years.

2. Do you live in the riding and, if so, how long has it been your home?

Yes, I'm an Ottawa native and moved to Kanata around 19 years ago.

3. What has been your main involvement with your community outside of work (volunteer activities, etc.)?

Volunteer work has centred around my kids activities. I have helped with t-ball, soccer, special needs paddling and skating, and have been a Scout leader for some years. I recently started teaching guitar to special-needs youth.

4. In your life what event, or book, or speech, or song or even TV show has made the biggest impression on you and your political thinking? Why?

The preamble to the American Declaration of Independence is one of the most stirring and awe-inspiring passages I have ever read for it's extraordinary scope and vision.

The Gettysburg Address was an incredibly short but powerful tribute to the victims of war, when politics devolves from talking to fighting.

"Atlas Shrugged" was a fascinating introduction to the ideas of Libertarianism, but needs a good hard editing.

"Extraordinary Delusions and the Madness of Crowds" is not normally thought of as a political work, but displays universal insight into the human mind which is helpful when examining phenomena such as the current Climate hysteria.

5. What previous politician, (alive or dead, but not currently in parliament) is a role model for you?

Less of a role model but more as an inspiration would be Thomas Jefferson, who was first the embodiment of the great thinkers of the Enlightenment, and only later a mere politician. I was at the Smithsonian earlier this year and the one thing I wanted to see was the writing desk upon which he wrote the Declaration of Independence.

JFK said of a gathering of Nobel prize winners: "I think this is the most extraordinary collection of talent, of human knowledge, that has ever been gathered together at the White House, with the possible exception of when Thomas Jefferson dined alone. "

6. What policy in your party's platform do you think matters most to the people in your riding?

Taxes and energy.

Groceries, energy, taxes go up ever upwards. Taxes at all levels take a huge bite out of Canadian incomes. If you work hard enough and are lucky enough to end up in a high tax bracket, you are rewarded by losing more than half of your gains to the government.

Global society was build on abundant inexpensive energy, and right now that means fossil fuels. If we are serious about getting rid of fossil fuels, we would be investing in next-generation nuclear energy. Demonizing fossil fuels and the fossil fuel industry without a practical alternative is foolish.

7. Recent polls suggest many Canadians are disillusioned with politics. If elected, what would you do to address those concerns?

Say what I think, do what I say I will do, treat everyone with the respect they earn, and live by the standards I set for myself and others.

I will not preach to you about a "Climate Emergency" from the stairs of a private jet.

I will not tell Veterans they are asking too much as I send their money on overseas adventures.

I will ensure that every Canadian continues to have the right to say what they need to say, even if I disagree with it.